

Detroit, MI – U.S. Congressman Tim Ryan (OH-17) joins House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and a bipartisan congressional delegation of legislators at the North American International Auto Show in Detroit. On this trip, Members of Congress will witness first-hand the innovative technologies in which the auto industry is investing to strengthen the nation's manufacturing base, create sustainable jobs, and ensure future competitiveness.

**“With the introduction of the Chevrolet Cruze in 2010, the Lordstown Assembly Plant is positioning itself as a leader in building the next generation of smaller, more fuel-efficient vehicles,”** said Congressman Ryan. **“The \$350 million investment by General Motors in the Lordstown plant speaks volumes about the valuable partnerships between management and unions. Further, it displays the Valley’s strong commitment to implementing state-of-the-art manufacturing techniques within our existing industrial base, including the integration of sustainable, environmentally-friendly cost saving programs.”**

After a \$350 million investment in the local Lordstown plant, General Motors begins production of the Chevrolet Cruze this year, with cars scheduled to roll off the assembly lines in August. The Cruze's progressive design affirms the commitment of General Motors and Chevrolet to build refined, fuel-efficient vehicles to increase global and national competitiveness.

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